

Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method of hydrolyzing jojoba meal comprising the steps of:

forming an aqueous acidic dispersion of jojoba meal;

heating ~~an aqueous acidic dispersion of said jojoba meal~~ said dispersion to a temperature of 212-220°F ;

agitating the dispersion to generate a hydrolysate; and

cooling the hydrolysate to 120-140°F and neutralizing the hydrolysate.

2. (original) The method of claim 1, said neutralizing step comprising the step of adding NaOH to the hydrolysate to achieve a pH of 6.0-7.0.

3. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, including the steps of filtering said hydrolysate, and concentrating ~~the~~ to provide for a solids level content of 20-30% of said hydrolysate.

4. (original) The method of claim 3, including the steps of chilling and filtering the hydrolysate.

5. (original) The method of claim 4, further including the step of aging said hydrolysate for a period of about 1-2 weeks.